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SUBJECT: SPACE FOR SELKHOZ AND NAUKA

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1. CHAMBER HAS ONCE AGAIN PUT "FLY IN OINTMENT" BY SENDING US THEIR "CONFIRMED" FLOOR PLANS FOR SELKHOZ WHICH DIFFER FROM THOSE AGREED TO "IN PRINCIPLE" (REFTEL).
 2. REFERRING TO CANONICO FLOOR PLAN A, CHAMBER PLANS INDICATED BLOCKS AS FOLLOWS: 1) OFFICE SPACE REMAINS SAME (206.25 SQ. MTRS), 2) BOOTHS 7-38 REMAIN INTACT (555 SQ. MTR.), 3) LOUNGE SPACE HAS BEEN CUT BACK TO 144 SQ. MTRS. BY CUTTING OUT 127 SQ. MTRS. (FROM WALL TO END OF DOOR PROTRUSION) AND BOOTHS 1-5, 4) BOOTHS 39-50 HAVE BEEN MOVED TO POSITION ACROSS PAVILION TO AREA BELOW MAIN ENTRANCE (IN SAME CONFIGURATION AS LOUNGE - 144 SQ. MTRS), 5) BOOTHS AND OTHER SPACE CUT OUT HAVE BEEN RELOCATED TO
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POSITION OPPOSITE OFFICES AND ACROSS PAVILION (217.5 SQ. MTRS). TOTAL SPACE - 1,266.5 SQ. MTRS.

3. AT MEETING HELD TODAY WITH CHAMBER OFFICIALS, COMPROMISE WAS REACHED WHICH WOULD GIVE US AN L-SHAPED CONFIGURATION. AGAIN REFERRING TO CANONICO FLOOR PLAN A, OFFICES (206.25 SQ. MTRS), LOUNGE (271 SQ. MTRS),

BOOTHS 7-38 REMAIN AS IS (555 SQ. MTRS), AND BOOTHS 1-6 AND 39-50 HAVE BEEN MOVED TO AREA BELOW MAIN ENTRANCE IN POSITION CORRESPONDING TO LOUNGE. ANY OTHER CONFIGURATION WAS NOT POSSIBLE AT THIS TIME, ACCORDING TO CHAMBER.

4. REASON STATED FOR THE ORIGINAL CHANGE WAS THAT PAVILION WILL NOT BE FULL FOR SELKHOZ, AND AESTHETICS AND PEOPLE FLOW WOULD BE BETTER WITH CHAMBER PLANS. THE NETHERLANDS WILL BE ONLY OTHER EXHIBITOR IN PAVILION 4A WITH 555 SQ. MTRS.

5. MATTER IS FURTHER COMPLICATED BY FACT THAT WE WOULD "PROBABLY" GET SPACE FOR "NAUKA" AS INDICATED IN CANONICO FLOOR PLAN B, THUS LESSENING SOME OF THE BENEFITS DERIVED IF BOTH EXHIBITS HAD SAME FLOOR PLAN AS WE DESIRED. HOWEVER, CHAMBER SAID THEY WOULD RECONSIDER NAUKA SPACE TO SEE WHETHER OR NOT IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO GIVE US SAME PLAN AS FOR SELKHOZ. AN ANSWER WILL BE POSSIBLE "ONLY ON FRIDAY".

6. IF ABOVE APPEARS CONFUSING, PLS. ADVISE AND WILL ATTEMPT TO CLARIFY FURTHER. PLANS WILL BE MAILED TO BEWT AND DUPLICATE HANDCARRIED BY DEPDIR USCO.
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